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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: files of the German Anti-Comintern Research, AMT VI
RSHA

RE : summary of information

1. All news and research pertaining to Comintern, which came through RSHA and ABWEHR channels, were collected by a team of scientists, Monsignore KIRIATOWSKY Anton and SS-STUBAF DR. AUGSBURG of AMT VI RSHA. Their job was to gain an overall picture of Russian intelligence through the means of the COMINTERN organization.

2. On 14 April 1945, KIRIATOWSKY, DR. AUGSBURG, and their secretary, Miss BUSCHMANN, arrived by truck from the WANNSEE-INSTITUT near Berlin at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, and took lodging at the HOTEL ZUR POST. Part of their luggage consisted of 6 to 8 filing cabinets, each estimated to weigh more than 100 pounds. This truck continued its trip to the SD office in Innsbruck, No. 3 Herrengasse.

3. On or about 26 April 1945 this team received orders from the Gruppenleiter AMT VI RSHA, SS OSTUBAF Albert RAPP, to leave Garmisch and to seek refuge in a monastery, to protect their files against enemy capture and to destroy them only if they were apt to fall into the hands of the Russians.

4. The team moved to ETTAL and the community of OBERAU. Acting under a direct order from the Gauleiter of Bavaria, the abbot of the monastery ETTAL quartered the threesome in the community, and allowed Monsignore KIRIATOWSKY to hold a daily service in the monastery.

5. During their 4 months stay they continued their work and acquired half a dozen more filing cabinets built by Hermit SOHAECHTELE who also cared for their food, etc. Due to billet requirements of U.S. occupational troops, they were forced to move several times, living at various times at Oberau and Ettal at the following addresses: Hotel zur Post, Hotel Ludwig der Bayer, c/o Oberinspektor A. D. Lang, c/o policeman Heinlein. At various times during this period, they received short visits from Polish officers.

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6. some time in July or August, 1945, a U.S. 6x6 truck arrived from a Polish camp in Murnau and loaded their files as well as personal belongings and left for an unknown destination.

7. In November 1945, Monsignore KIRIATOWSKY, clad in U.S. uniform with Polish officer's insignia, called on the local policeman, Sgt. Heinlein (his former landlord) and said: "I am just arriving from Italy. My car and driver are waiting outside. I am on my way to Oberammergau. All three of us are with the Polish division, and we are doing fine. He picked up some odds and ends they had forgotten, held a service in the monastery, and went on."

8. Sources for this information include: German police Sgt. HEINLEIN and wife, the abbot of monastery ETTAL, SS-OSTUF LACHNER, and Hermit SCHAECHTELE. The reliability of this information is rated I B.

9. It is recommended by this agent that the lead for this very important material be followed up at the Polish division in Italy.

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